

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A method for treating medical indications wherein patients in need thereof are administered a pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of a substantially purified compound of the formula  $R_1-X-R_2$  wherein:

$R_1$  and  $R_2$  are biologically active polypeptidic groups;  $X$  is a non-peptidic polymeric spacer; and at least one of  $R_1$  or  $R_2$  substantially retains its biological activity when linked as  $R_1-X-R_2$ .

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